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NEWS OF THE DAY

GENERAL ITEMS.

—Thomas J. De Jarnette, who killed his sister in a disreputable den at Danville, Va., two years ago, has been discharged from the Raleigh (N. C.) Insane Asylum.

—Two men were killed and three fatally injured by the accidental precipitation of a quantity of ice down a shaft they were sinking, near Scranton, Pa.

—Thurlow Weed, the veteran New York journalist, closed an eventful life in his eighty-sixth year on Wednesday. His end was peaceful and painless.

—A novel case came before Judge McAdam in the Marine Court of New York City, in which a widow was defendant in a suit for breach of promise of marriage. She allowed the case to go by default, and the plaintiff was awarded $1,000 damages.

—Four additional victims have been added to the list of killed in consequence of the fire in the factory building at Providence, R. I. A coroner's jury has been impanelled to investigate the cause of the disaster.

—Since the action of the people of New York State on the question of free canals the merchants of Montreal have set themselves to the task of persuading the Dominion government that free canals in Canada are essential to the export trade.

—The freight steamer Wearmouth, from Quebec, was wrecked on Magdalen Island, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, with a loss of sixteen lives, only four persons were saved.

—The Boston Fish Exchange, in consequence of the hostility of fishermen, retail dealers and wharfmen, has dissolved.

—Three tramps were killed on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad near Barraboo on Monday. They were stealing a ride on the front platform of a mail car, and the train ran into a freight train.

—Mr. William A. Russell, a merchant in Reisterstown, Md., was shot dead by one of two burglars who had broken into his store.

—Fire broke out in a four-story building used for manufacturing purposes at Providence, R. I., causing a panic among the operatives. Several young women jumped from the fourth story windows to the street. Two of them were killed and others fatally injured.

—A series of census bulletins on the commercial fisheries of the Middle States, now being published at Washington, shows that New York comes fourth in the list of fish-producing States, with products valued at $3,380.565. Persons employed, 7,266; fishing vessels, 541; fishing boats, 3,441.

—The St. Louis Ore and Steel Works, employing 3,000 men, propose to shut down December 1.

—In the coal pits near Pittsburg about 1,500 of the 8,000 miners are on strike for an advance of half a cent a bushel on their wages.

—Governor elect Cleveland, of New York, has resigned the Mayoralty of Buffalo.

—Returns of the Congressional election from the whole State of Arkansas, except one small county, show the total vote for Congressman-at-Large to be as follows: Breckenridge, Democrat, 43,327; Cunningham, Greenbacker, 21,394, a total of 64,721 less than half the vote polled in September.

—The menhaden fishery of Tiverton, R. I., alone amounted this summer to 141,000 barrels.

—Guy Smith, twelve years old, was sentenced, at St. Louis, Mo., to one year's imprisonment for killing his grandfather.

—Three men were killed near Holyrood, N. E., by a car being thrown from the track in consequence of running over an ox.

—Samuel Wilkeson's suit against Mr. Beecher resulted in a dismissal of the plaintiff's complaint owing to a failure of proof.

—A switch-tender, only fifteen years old, was killed by a construction train on the West Shore Railroad at Cornwall, N. Y.

—A contest will be made over the Congressional election in the Twentieth district of N. Y. State, West (Republican) claiming thirty-one majority over Wemple (Democrat), who has received the certificate.

—The total vote for Governor of Pennsylvania, as received at the State Department, the computation of which is completed, is as follows: Pattison, Dem., 355,791; Beaver, Rep., 315,589; Stewart, Ind., 43,743; Armstrong, G. L., 23,484; Pettit, Pro., 5,196. Total vote, 743,803. Pattison's plurality, 40,202. This is the largest vote ever polled in the State, with the exceptions of the Presidential contests of 1876 and 1880.

—The official count of the vote for Governor in the last State election in Alabama gives O'Neil, Democrat, 100,591, and Sheffield, Independent, 46,386.

—William D. Ward, captain, and Moses O. Bailey, pilot, of the steamer City of Worcester, were held for examination on the charge of running down the barge Saginaw and causing the death of Captain Taylor's family in New York harbor.

—The 262d anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims was celebrated at Provincetown, Mass.

—The Norfolk Jubilee Singers were arrested in New Haven for the violation of an old Sunday law.

—Governor elect Pattison of Penn., has declined the offer of an escort tendered him for the occasion of his inauguration.

—Reports from all sections show that the area of the electric disturbance on Friday extended across the Atlantic to England and the Continent, the phenomena everywhere being similar.

—Burglars entered a house occupied by women and children at Naperville, Ill., shot a child and a young woman and made their escape.

—The annual report of the Superintendent of the Flatbush, L. I., Lunatic Asylum shows ninety-one deaths out of 354 patients admitted.

—Six prisoners were arraigned in the Court of General Sessions in New York on Friday on indictments charging them with murder in the first degree.

—William B. Cunningham leaped into the blast furnace of the Birmingham Rolling Mills, Ala., and was burned to death.

—Alvin Gelman, of Syracuse, N. Y., lay down while drunk, and his clothing taking fire from his pipe, was entirely burned from his body.

—The Secretary of State of Mississippi refused to count for J. R. Chalmers votes returned as for J. R. Chambless, and certerficate of election to Congress was thereupon issued to Van H. Manning.

—Colonel Bodine has resigned as Captain of the American Team of 1883.

—An elevator in McKnight's carpet house, Louisville, Ky., recently fell from the second floor to the basement and seriously injured its five passengers.

—Seven thousand four hundred laborers on the Northern Pacific Railroad, with a following of gamblers and saloon-keepers, are approaching the Flathead Indian Agency to the alarm of the agent.

—At Pittsburg the iron trade is reported to be in a very depressed condition.

—A man and a boy were killed by the fall of a water tower which was being tested by the Fire Department in New York City.

—A special Minister is to be sent to the United States from Nicaragua to promote the passage of the act incorporating the Maritime Canal Company.

—Mr. Johnson, of the Republican State Committee of New York, denies all knowledge of the assessment circular issued over his name after the election.

—Experienced electricians say that the electric disturbances on Friday night were among the most remarkable and extensive ever known.

—The engineer of the locomotive which collided with a freight train on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad, causing loss of life, last Saturday, has been lodged in jail at Beaver Co., Pa.

—The barge Saginaw was run down by the Sound steamer City of Worcester and sunk in the East River. Captain Taylor, of the barge, lost his mother, wife and two children.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

—It is intimated through private sources that the Chinese Legation at Washington will be withdrawn on account of the passage of the Chinese Immigration bill.

—None of the star route bribery cases will go before the present grand jury of the District, the Attorney-General not having confidence in that body.

—The Attorney-General of the United States has decided that the law exempting clergymen from taxation does not apply to parsonages owned by church trustees or corporations.

—The total number of arrests made during the last fiscal year by Secret Service agents of the United States, was 335, the majority being for counterfeiting money. The total fines assessed amounted to $10,664, and the total amount of counterfeit coin captured $8,830,224.51.

—A Washington dispatch says: "The Democrats, it is understood, will make a bitter fight in the Senate against the confirmation of General Pope to be major general. The friends of Fitz John Porter accuse Pope of instigating the overthrow of Porter, and this, together with Pope's well known anti-Democratic principles, will, it is thought, combine all the Democrats against him. It is said that three Republican Senators will vote against him."

—Chaplain George G. Mullins, Twenty-fifth infantry, in charge of education in the army, in his annual report to the Secretary of War says that considerable progress has been made in the work of organizing and establishing post schools and reading-rooms, and there is a growing interest in these institutions among both officers and enlisted men. The average number of pupils who attended the day and night school during the year at all military posts and camps was: Enlisted men, 1,586; children of enlisted men, 987; children of officers, 370, and children of civilians, 412.

—Secretary Folger will recommend to Congress in his annual report that measures be taken for the redemption of the four and four and a half per cent. bonds, which will not mature until 1907 and 1891 respectively. It is said he does not favor the proposition to buy these bonds in open market and is inclined to submit all questions relative to their redemption to Congress. It is also said that the Secretary is not disposed to take any action in regard to the currency sixes, but will submit a proposition concerning them to Congress. Another report widely circulated to-day is that a call for $17,000,000 continued fives will be made about the end of the month. Secretary Folger declines to answer any questions in regard to the various statements, and it is therefore impossible to verify them at present.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

—The inhabitants of Skye are making preparations to resist the forcible collection of rents on the island.

—The Khedive is prepared to refer to Great Britain the question of proceeding with Arabi Pasha's trial.

—It is said that the British Government has appointed Baker Pasha's scheme for an Egyptian gendarmerie.

—A French traveler has obtained from a local sovereign the possession of the Bay of Tajoorah, on the African side of the Gulf of Aden.

—A telegram from Liverpool states that the steamer Winton, with grain, from the Black Sea, has foundered off the Island of Ushant, coast of France. Thirty persons were drowned.

—William Brockshaw, who was charged with sending a threatening letter to the Prince of Wales, was found guilty and sentenced to ten years' penal servitude.

—Michael Casey and the four remaining prisoners in the Joyce trials in Ireland pleaded guilty. They were sentenced to be hanged, but were recommended to mercy.

—Three hundred and seventy soldiers, sailors and marines have been decorated at Windsor by the Queen.

—A number of persons have been arrested at Lyons for fomenting strikes among the workmen.

—A French gunboat is about to sail up the Congo River.

—The Egyptian troops ordered to the Soudan are deserting in large numbers.

—The Pope has charged the Irish bishops to endeavor to prevent the people from offending against the laws.

—A crank has been arrested in England for threatening to murder Mr. Gladstone.

—The unions in the western part of Ireland have been ordered to relieve the distressed people.

—Severe police regulations cause dissatisfaction among Russian students; the University of Kazan has been closed; seventeen nihilists have been arrested in Odessa.

—Russia is said to be making friendly advances to Germany.

—A dispatch from Cattaro states that the chiefs of the Albanian League have asked for the occupation of Albania by Austrian troops.

—France is about to send troops to Southern Tunis to punish the murderers of the men composing the expedition of Colonel Flatters.

—An extension of time for the payment of arrears of rent is being discussed in the English House of Commons.

—A dispatch from Paris says: "A fire occurred on Friday in a school-house near Quimper. Nine children were burned to death."

—The dispatch box of Professor Palmer, who was murdered by Bedouins, has been recovered.

—The Finland Diet has petitioned the Czar to give full liberty to the press in Finland.

—Heavy gales are blowing around the coast of England and several disasters are reported with loss of life.

—Frederic Gretton, an English turfman, owner of Fernandez, Isonomy and other well-known race-horses, is dead.

THE LATE THURLOW WEED.

Few men have had a larger experience in the politics of this country than Thurlow Weed. For more than fifty years he exercised a power in the councils of the Whig and Republican parties which, so far as it could in America, amounted to autocracy. He made Governors, Cabinet officers, United States Senators, Presidents and Vice-Presidents. And yet, with exceptions scarcely worth naming, he never held office himself. There is evidence to show that he might have been United States Senator, Cabinet officer or Minister to a European court. But he made it an invariable rule of life never to accept public place and did not depart from it. In such a career as his it necessarily follows that much of it remains hidden from public view. He has himself furnished in his own writings most of what is known of the secrets of his political life—a sphere in which he was a great worker.

Thurlow Weed first saw the light at Cairo, Greene County, New York, on the 15th of November, 1797, when John Adams was in the ninth month of his presidency, and is consequently eighty-five years of age. His parents were poor, and at a very early age Weed set out to earn his own living. He learned the printing business, and was engaged in the publication of several newspapers in different parts of the State.

He published the *Enquirer*, the first anti-masonic paper, and was prominent in taking anti-masonry into politics. In 1830 the Albany Evening *Journal* was started and Mr. Weed placed at its head. He made the paper a success and he did much toward bringing the Whig party into power. His political career is familiar to all. Probably no man had more to do with bringing about the nomination of General Harrison for the Presidency, in 1839, which did not win for him the love of Mr. Clay. The latter claimed that his defeat was due to luke warmness on the part of Mr. Weed. The election of 1848 resulted in the choice of the Whig candidate for the Presidency, General Taylor, whose nomination largely was due to the exertions of Mr. Weed. He was instrumental—it was asserted that he was the chief instrument—in bringing about the nomination of Gen. Scott by the Whigs, and may be said to have closed his political life by a strong effort to secure the nomination of Wm. H. Seward in Chicago in 1760.

At the third and last ballot Seward's friends brought him only 110 votes, while the remaining elements in the convention, with the exception of one or two votes, were united upon Mr. Lincoln with 354 votes, and amid great enthusiasm he was declared nominated. Mr. Weed was deeply pained and chagrined at his defeat, and it is said that tears came to his eyes when he learned the result. He assisted Mr. Lincoln in making up his Cabinet, and was present at the inauguration.

How to Mount Your Steed.

In mounting face the near side of the horse. The near side is the side nearest yourself. If you stand on the right side of the horse which is the wrong side when your mount, you will face the crupper. Then everybody will know that your name is Johann Gotlieb Ernsigefolger.

If you cannot mount from the ground, lead the horse to a high fence, say "Whoa" two or three times, and jump over the horse's ears. You will light somewhere on his neck, and you will have plenty of time to adjust youself while the horse is running away. Another method of mounting, largely practiced by young gentlemen from the city, is to balance youself on one foot on the fence, and point the other leg at the horse in the general direction of the saddle, saying "Whoa" all the time. The horse, after this gesture has been repeated a few times, backs away, pulls the alleged rider off the fence, and walks up and down the lane with him at a rapid gallop. This gives the rider in about ten minutes all the exercise he wants for a week.

If by some miracle you manage to get into the saddle, hold on with both hands and say "Whoa." The faster the horse goes the tighter you must hold on, and the louder you must "holler."

If you are from New York or Philadelphia, you will shorten the stirrups until your knees are on a level with your chin. Then, as you ride, you will rise to your feet and stand in the attitude of a man peering over a fence to look for his dog, and then suddenly fall in the saddle like a man who has stepped on a banana peel. This is the English school. It is hard on the horse, but is considered very graceful. A man cannot wear false teeth, however, and ride in this manner.

LAUGHED OUT OF COURT.

A Funny Editor Defends His Own Cause in a Libel Suit.

At Erie, Pa., the editor of a German humorous paper was sued for libel. On the opening of the trial the defense was astounded by the District Attorney claiming an ancient right to "stand aside" any juror called until the box was filled with men acceptable to the Commonwealth, the standing aside being independent of the peremptory challenges, and allowable to the extent of standing aside the entire panel, practically enabling the Commonwealth to get a jury of its own selection.

As the affair was between Germans and the Young Men's Christian Association, the former were fearful that they would all be made stand aside and kept off the jury.

On the second morning after the judge had ruled in favor of the "stand aside" claim, Weiss, the defendant, convulsed everybody by coming into court with an armful of ancient legal literature, obtained by ransacking every law library in the city, and asserting a right, under the ruling of the court, to establish his innocence by ordeal, or trial by combat. He contended that if unrepealed ancient procedure is good law his claim to demand the "wagere of battel" was as just and equitable as the "stand aside" privilege. Shrieks of laughter followed the sad-faced man's demand, irresistibly comical in itself, but the more exquisite from the fact that he is a little, attenuated, weak-chested, asthmatic body, weighing only 98 pounds, while his adversary is a herculean fellow who tips the scale at 200 pounds, and before whom in a personal encounter the funny editor would melt away like the hoar frost under the morning sun.

Weiss has carefully drawn up all his rights under the unrepealed laws, and he proposes to make this judicial district sick of King Edward the First. These alleged rights are:

First—The "ordeal of fire." He claims that he can demand the establishment of his innocence by offering to plunge his arm in boiling oil, pick up red-hot iron, or walk barefoot over nine red-hot plowshares, and that if he sustain no hurt by the operation his innocence will be proved, and the costs belong to the prosecutor. But this test, after mature deliberation, he will waive. "All that remains," says Weiss, "is to demand the trial by combat, and may God defend the guiltless."

He describes the procedure of this combat as follows, producing ancient authority in its support:

The judges and clergy are to assemble on a given day, and before them the accused person must fling down his glove and declare his intention to defend the same with his body. The prosecutor will then pick it up and announce his readiness to make good the appeal, body for body. Then both men will bring out their battle axes or javelins, and, kneeling before the judges, will make oath that the weapons have not been charmed by witchcraft, etc. This done, each is to grasp his ax in the right hand, and the left hand of the other in his left. The accused person to say: "Hear this, O man, who callest thyself John Firch by the name of baptism, that I, who call myself Frank Weiss by the name of baptism did not libel you, so help me God and all the saints." To which the accuser will reply: "Hear me, O man, whom I hold by the hand, and who callest thyself Frank Weiss by the name of baptism, that I do hold thee perjured, and this I will prove with my body, so help me God and all the saints." At a signal from Judge Galbraith the men will come out of their corners and go for each other, and his cause shall be deemed just who succeeds in carving up the other before the going down of the sun.

The merriment caused by Weiss's claim can better be imagined than described. One stout juror came near having a fit of apoplexy, and another laughed himself into imbecility. During the roars of laughter Weiss stood without a smile on his face, a picture of solid, substantial misery. While conscious of the absurdity of his claims and the impossibility of substantiating them, Weiss made the appeal with a tragic earnestness that almost induced convulsions. The upshot is likely to be that the case will be laughed out of court.

A Mennonite Village.

The Toronto, Canada, *Globe* says: There is trouble among the Manitoba Mennonites. These people own separate lands, but instead of building on their respective homesteads, combine to form a village, which they build on the farm of some one of their number. There are over forty villages on their reserve west of Emerson. Recently a Mennonite living near the western end of the reserve, not many miles from Nelsonville, made application to the Dominion Government for a patent for his land, he having performed the necessary settlement duties, and pending the receipt of the patent he sold his homestead to a Canadian farmer living near. On his farm is situated the village for that section, and, of course, in selling his farm the entire village was included in the sale, as whatever buildings are on the land belong to it. The head kaisers of the reserve have been endeavoring to have the Government refuse the patent for the place; but, of course, if the Mennonite demands it, the Government will be obliged to give it to him. Mr. George Newcome, formerly Dominion Land Agent at Emerson, has been sent from Ottawa to endeavor to have the Mennonites settle the matter amicably among themselves.

MR. PEET, a rather diffident man, was unable to prevent himself from being introduced one evening to a fascinating young lady, who, misunderstanding his name constantly addressed him as Mr. Peters, much to the gentleman's distress. Finally, summoning courage, he bashfully but earnestly remonstrated: "Oh! don't call me Peters, call me Peet." "Ah, but I don't know you well enough, Mr. Peters," said the young lady, blushing, as she playfully withdrew part way behind her fan.—*Yale Record.*

THE inhabitants of the North Pole country will be sociable enough when once the ice is broken.

A SNAKE IN A HORSE'S EYE.

Four Inches Long, as Thick as a Knitting Needle, and Extremely Active.

There are many stalwart truck horses in a stable at Bay street, Jersey City, says the New York *Sun*. This stable has been visited by many persons, who have reported that they saw a live snake coiled in the eye of one of the tallest horses.

"About two months ago," said Driver Paul Meyers to a reporter, in the stable, "I was riding across to New York on the truck with the driver who manages the horses. While we were on the ferryboat we saw a man stop and look up in the horse's right eye. He kept standing there, and pretty soon another man came up and stood beside him, looking at the horse, too. Then another and another came up, until in a few minutes there was a big crowd around the animal's head. Some of them began to laugh, and one of them sang out to us: 'Hey, mister! there's a snake in your horse's eye.' We didn't pay any attention to him except to shout back that we had got up too early that morning to be sold. But they insisted that there was a snake, and finally we jumped down.

"There, sure enough, we saw the snake twisting and turning like mad. I've been around horses for more than ten years, and I never heard of such a thing. I have been told that if I pulled a hair out of a horse's tail and corked it up in a bottle of water it would grow into a snake, but this beats that."

On leading the horse out of his stall, Mr. Meyers said he would have to harness him, because there had been so many persons to look into his eye that he got nervous when he was led out for inspection, but that when he felt a harness on him he seemed to think it was all right. Accordingly he put a collar and a head-stall with blinders on him. He was a powerfully built horse, stood about 16 hands high, and had a rough chestnut coat.

"There it is," said Michael Turley, the watchman of the establishment, holding back the sight blinder. "There's the snake going it as lively as usual."

The eye was sightless, and the pupil had changed to a purple hue. Inside, never ceasing its motion for an instant, and plainly visible, was imprisoned, to all appearances, a little snake. It was white and about four inches long. Its body was round and about the thickness of a knitting needle. The tail was tapered to a point. The head was larger and fuller and darker in color, and seemed to guide the movements of the parasite. The animal moved about with very great rapidity and twisted itself into every conceivable shape. Sometimes it coiled up into a ring and then unwound itself like a broken watch spring. In another instant it would go in eel-like motions across the disk of the pupil, and at another it would dart round and round the outer edge.

During the five minutes the visitor gazed at it, its body described over fifty different figures. It appeared to be floating in a liquid. The horse did not seem to be conscious of its presence. He chewed some oats very contentedly, but closed his eye when the visitor leaned forward once to get a closer view.

Old English Divorce Law.

A man being convicted of bigamy before Mr. Justice Maule, the following dialogue took place:

Clerk of Assize—What have you to say why judgment should not be passed upon you according to law?

Prisoner—Well, my Lord, my wife took up with a hawker and ran away five years ago, and I have never seen her since, and I married this woman last winter.

Mr. Justice Maule—I will tell you what you ought to have done, and if you say you did not know, I will tell you that the law conclusively presumes that you did. You ought to have instructed your attorney to bring an action against the hawker for criminal conversation with your wife. That would have cost you about £100. When you had recovered substantial damages against the hawker, you would have instructed your proctor to sue in the ecclesiastical courts for a divorce *a mensa et thoro*. That would have cost you £200 or £300 more. When you had obtained a divorce *a mensa et thoro*, you would have to appear by counsel before the House of Lords for a divorce *a vinculo matrimonii*. The bill might have been opposed in all its stages in both houses of Parliament; and, altogether, you would have to spend about £1,000 or £1,200. You will probably tell me you never had a thousand farthings in the world; but, prisoner, that makes no difference. Sitting here as a British Judge, it is my duty to tell you that this is not a country in which there is one law for the rich and another for the poor.

A Thousand Million Suns.

But as astronomers increased their estimates of the sun's distance, and as, observing more and more carefully the others' positions, they diminished the possible range of the as yet undetected apparent motions, men's conceptions of the grandeur of the material universe increased. With Briarean arms, science thrust back the stars into the depths of space, until the glories of the nocturnal heavens were changed from so many thousand points of light to as many suns, many as grand as our own, many far grander, some like Sirius, Vega, and Canopus, so much vaster than he is, that by comparison with them he seems the merest minature of a sun.

But even this, stupendous though it seems, is little compared with the scene presented when we rightly interpret what the telescope reveals respecting the depths of space beyond the domain of the visible stars. For each star we can see, thousands were made visible by the telescope of Galileo, in later times tens of thousands, and in the days of the elder Herschel hundreds of thousands. With the best telescopes in our own time it is probable that as many as a thousand million stars could be seen were every part of the celestial sphere examined. A thousand million suns, a thousand million repetitions of the glories and the wonders which modern science reveals in the central orb of our system!—PROFESSOR PROCTOR.

WIT AND WISDOM.

JOSH BILLINGS's advice: "Mi dear boy, selekt your buzzem friend with grate caushun; once selekted, indorse him with yure bottom dollar."

"PA, what is an employment agent?" "Why, my son, he is a man who is very anxious to get work for others to do. He himself doesn't want any."

"THAT man is so good-natured that he would hold an umbrella over a duck in a shower of rain," observed Jerrold once of a brother dramatist.

A FASHIONABLE lady, in boasting of her new "palatial residence," said the windows were all of stained glass. "That's too bad!" cried her mother; "but won't soap and turpentine take the stains out?"

ONE of the greatest anvantages that the Masonic Order offers to everyone who becomes a member, is that he stands a chance of becoming the oldest Mason if he lives long enough.—*Lowell Courier.*

WHEN Fogg heard that cigars were largely made by machinery, he said he had noticed a stationary Indian in front of nearly all the cigar shops.—*Boston Transcript.*

SOME folks don't know how to be happy. They can't see the difference between having a spoonful of vinegar in the molasses of life and a spoonful of molasses in the vinegar of life.

THE time between shivering for the want of an overcoat and the date when one can be worn without attracting a crowd has passed along, and mankind are now happy.—*Detroit Free Press.*

INQUISITIVENESS rebuked: Mistress (to applicant for cook's position).—"Why did you leave your last place?" "You're very inquisitive, marm. I didn't ax yer what for yer last cook left you."—*Quiz.*

WHY is it that a little country like France is in proportion to resources so much richer than America?—Exchange. Guess it must be because Frenchmen sell American women bonnets.—*Brooklyn Star.*

"WHERE do all the Boston and Harvard boys go?" was a question asked the other day. "Out West to raise cattle, so that the country boys may have a chance to come to town," was the reply.—*Boston Courier.*

EN PASSANT—Aunt (to small girl)—"What are you always thinking about, Ida?" Ida—"I'm always thinking about nothing, auntie. I never think about anything unless I happen to think of something to think about."—*Punch.*

A MICHIGAN paper says: "Bears are going to be thicker than grasshoppers in the woods of Michigan this winter." Dare say. Bears are generally considerably thicker than grasshoppers; in fact, bigger in every way.—*Boston Post.*

AN Iowa farmer bet a new hat that he could cross the railroad track with his team before the train came up. He was asked if he didn't consider it a foolish bet. "No," said he. "If I win, I'm in a hat; if I lose, I shan't want it."

DE shanghigh chicken 'minds me ob certain men dat I'se seed. He crows mighty loud, an' brags aroun' 'mong de hens an' young chickens; but when a game rooster comes aroun', he's got business on de oder side ob de fence.—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

SIGNS do not fail when the man who reads them is wise. When we saw a cat watching at the hole through which a rat had beat a retreat, we said to ourselves: "There will be an early spring." And we were right, for the rat ventured too far, and the cat had him fast.

IT is customary among the Piutes when a chief dies to kill the medicine man who attended him. This seems to be a simple and expeditious way of preventing the medicine man from presenting the Piute Congress with a bill for five thousand dollars.—*Philadelphia News.*

ONE of our exchanges contained an elaborate editorial entitled "The Bright Side of Journalism." The editor, it is presumed, had just received fifty bottles of "Liver Purifier" in pay for a column advegtisement one year and fifty-two reading notices.—*NorristownHezald.*

A YOUNG lady wrote to the Philadelphia *News*, inquiring: "How can I avoid being addressed if I walk out at night without a protector?" The experienced editor of that paper tartly replied: "Wear an old shawl and carry a clothes basket."

"TRAVELER:" You ask what is the best seat in case of a railroad accident? We do not feel able to answer with confidence, but would suggest, from our experience of railway accidents, that the safest seat would be in a residence about three miles from the scene of the disaster.—*Lowell Citizen*

A JOHNSTOWN man lost his pocketbook containing $1,500, and rewarded the honest finders with the munificent sum of one dollar. The finders feel very grateful over the fact that they were not charged interest on the money while the pocketbook was in their possession.—*Philadelphia News.*

SCENE on railroad platform at Heidelberg. Traveler to university student—"Sir, you are crowding; keep back, sir." U. S., fiercely—"Don't you like it? Allow me to tell you that I am at your service at any time and place." Traveler, benignantly—"Oh, indeed; that is very kind of you. Just carry this satchel for me to the hotel."—*Detroit Free Press.*

A BEAR broke into the house of a Nevada man the other night. He was away, and his wife thought it was him coming home drunk. She didn't stop to light a lamp, but began operations. When the bear finally got away he didn't stop running till he had traveled eleven miles into the heart of the mountains, and he was such a sight that other bears wouldn't associate with him.

THE way a Dakota editor got his stock of winter vegetables shows that genuine enterprise has not died out. He offered his paper for two years free as a prize to the farmer who would bring in the best bushel of potatoes, of corn, of beets of turnips, and of other garden truck. The unsuspecting grangers swallowed the bait, and the impartial editor distributed his prizes among them. He has a cellar piled full of the best vegetables raised in the country, and they have the paper free.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1882.

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The Lecture Course.

Considerable interest is being manifested in the proposed Union Lecture Course. Of course there are some objections to it, but in the main it meets with favorable comment.

Who would a majority of the citizens of So. Paris and Norway prefer to have lecture? The majority must rule. What lecturers do you want?

If there are to be two concerts in the course, what concerts shall we have?

These questions must be settled and then the expense of the course can be easily found. The price of the tickets will depend upon the number sold. Suppose the whole expense of the course was $600, and only 300 season tickets could be sold then the price of the tickets would be $2.00 each. If the number of tickets sold should reach 400 then the price would be $1.50 each and so on.

It often happens that a course of lectures run on this "mutual benefit plan" that at the end of the course there is a balance of funds in the treasury. This balance of funds belongs to the holders of the season tickets and is to be distributed among them as a dividend or disposed of as the majority shall direct. This of course depends largely upon whether the lectures or entertainments "draw" and favorable evenings are had.

Everybody says the plan is all right. Who shall we have in the course? Some one suggest.

Some have said they would like to have Geo. William Curtis, Dr. Collyer, S. S. Cox, Beecher, Ingersoll, Tilton, Joseph Cook, Josh Billings and other noted speakers too numerous to mention.

This course if we have it at all to commence sometime in January next.

History of Woodstock.

Dr. William B. Lapham, editor of the Maine Farmer, has just issued from the press of Stephen Berry of Portland, in a volume of three hundred and fifteen pages, bound in cloth, an excellent and complete history of the town of Woodstock. Town histories are always unprofitable to the author, but very valuable to his townsmen and to the general historian, and exceedingly interesting to the public when they preserve, as does this, anecdotes of individuals, which illustrate the manners and characteristics of our ancestors. The Doctor was a native of the town, and the work was a labor of love to him. It is eighty-four years since the first clearing was made, and sixty-seven since it was incorporated as a town, and of those who participated in the organization the last have past away. It is interesting to note how many familiar names occur in the history, showing that the children of the early townsmen have found homes in our city as well as elsewhere. Like all New England towns, Woodstock has sent out its children broadcast over the land to make homes for themselves in more favored spots, and wherever they may have settled, we are sure they will hale with delight this story of their native town and of their old townspeople. Space will not permit a summary of the narrative, but it is a familiar picture of early New England life, with its struggle with the wilderness, its pinching economy, hard labor, scanty schooling, clearing of forests and building of roads: its long journeys to markets, its forest fires, and the sufferings in the frequently recuring hard times. Woodstock was early and prominent in the Washingtonian movement, and the result was prosperity, and a rolling off of the burden of debt that had hung over the inhabitants. This is a significant comment on the argument that free trade in liquor would make prosperity in business. The town has given one governor to the State, in the person of Sidney Perham, and many distinguished names are found in these pages.

We find here answered a question often asked as to why so many of our Oxford towns were named after old times. It seems the old composer Maxim was in the habit of naming his tunes after the towns. He composed "Woodstock" at a wedding feast, where it was sung with great unction by the guests. Hallowell, Hebron, Turner and Buckfield were also honored by his compositions.

The following is so connected with our own history that we give it in full:

"Old Doctor Bryant, one of the first two settlers of Woodstock, also called from his root-digging propensity, Dr. "Digeo," was a firm believer in ghosts and witches. He also believed that Jewell's Island, in Casco Bay, was the place where Capt. Kidd deposited his money, and he often went there and searched for it. His idea was that Capt. Kidd, after burying his treasure, made one of his men swear to guard it, and then killed him and buried him above the iron chest containing the gold. When any one searching for the gold struck the chest, the sentinal ghost would always make some demonstration to frighten him away. If the searcher could only hold his peace and and keep on with the work he would succeed; but if he was frightened into speaking a word, the charm would be broken and all would be lost. Dr. Bryant once told in the hearing of the writer how he and Hector Fuller, a colored man, once went to the Island fully determined to brave everything and bring away the coveted treasure. So, nerving themselves by the free use of elixir vitæ and laying in a little store in case of need, they proceeded to the Island. Observing all the formalities, they commenced to dig, the moon shining brightly all the while. after digging down several feet, one of them took the crowbar and striking into the earth into the bottom of the pit, it hit upon something that had a decided metallic ring, when instantly there appeared in the hole they had made, a sow with a family of pigs. They understood this to be a demonstration of the guard and resolved to stand their ground, but the animal become ferocious and caught one of the diggers by the leg, which brough from him a profane ejaculation, when lo and behold, the animal and her family disappeared, the pit was filled up and they found themselves sitting upon the shingly beach with the tide water almost touching their feet. Listeners to this marvelous story generally believed it was an hallucination caused by their potations, but nothing would so offend the Doctor as to hint at such a thing."

To illustrate the poverty of early days in Maine we select the following:

"Mrs. Lucretia Nutting, who died a year or two ago in Perham, Aroostook county, at a great age, came into Woodstock to work when she was quite young and when the settlers were but few. In conversation with the writer a short time before her death, she spoke of her impressions when she first came to this town. It was after dark when she came up by the old, then new county road, and she said she saw occasionally what appeared to her to be stacks of hay placed at intervals along the road, but on passing them again in the day time, she found they were the huts of the settlers. They were built of logs and covered with bark, and not much larger than moderate sized stacks of hay, yet it was in these same huts that many of the staunch and representative men of the town were born."

The family sketches are very full and will afford infinite satisfaction to all interested. Nineteen pages of fine type are devoted to the diary of Stephen Chase for the years 1801 to 1806, and almost as much more to the complete census of 1870. It closes with a complete index of names. The book is illustrated with a picture of Bryant's Pond and protraits of leading men. Only three hundred copies have been printed.—Press.

Perhaps this small edition is already sold. We do not know how this is, but should any of our readers desire a copy of the history and have not yet subscribed, we would advise them to write to Dr. Lapham at once. So small an edition must be shortly exhausted.—[Eds.

South Paris.

[All items of local news, or orders for advertising or job printing, left with V. A. Greenleaf, at the law office of Wilson & Greenleaf, will receive prompt attention.]

Dr. E. B. Holden and wife will board at the Andrews House this winter.

Daniel Gallagher had his eye hooked out last Friday by a cow.

School commences Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

Rumor says that John Horne, Jr. and his pancake shop are coming over here to locate.

We made a mistake in our last week's issue. The amount taken by the Ladies' Social Circle was $80 instead of $60.

Chas. Richardson's friends will be glad to learn of his safe arrival at Hot Springs, and also the cheering news that the Dr. there assures him he can be cured. Such is the report by mail.

Geo. Cummings of Aroostook fame was in town last Saturday.

Frank A. Taylor cut his knee quite badly last week while at work in the woods.

Al Webb undertook to persuade the fire a little the other day, and it yielded readily to his efforts; rather too much so in fact. It burned his eyebrows and lashes so that Al will have to wear goggles for some time.

Alba M. Gerry and John Pierce are in Boston this week purchasing holiday goods.

Elisha Morse was in town last week.

North Paris.

Mr. W. W. Dunham has put into his sap house an evaporator 10 feet by 40 inches wide, arranged with an automatic feeder so that the sap is put in at one end of the evaporator and the syrup is running off at the other end.

H. Bradford & Son have put into their sap house a copper evaporator for the double purpose of evaporating cider as well as sap. They have on hand five hundred bushels of apples that they intend to make into cider and evaporate the cidar into apple jelly. They put the jelly in nice jars and send to market.

H. A. Abbott recently lost two very fine calves by one while being tied up getting over the other and both choked to death.

Christian Washburn's horse fell dead in the harness a few days since.

Mr. Joseph H. Dunham is very sick.

A fox recently came into the door yard of Mr. William Dunham and carried off a Pekin duck, also went into the barn of Mr. Joseph Child and caught and attempted to carry off his rooster at mid day.

Frank L. Barrett has a contract to furnish a Boston firm with two thousand sheep for canning. He has killed and shipped some eight hundred or more already.

The turkey and Thanksgiving are getting to be interesting.

Washburn & Ellingwood are getting ready to do an extensive basket back and bottom chair business the next year.

New York and Boston parties have been negotiating for the purchase of the Mineral Spring, and if the trade is completed they will build a large house next year.

West Paris.

We are pleased to learn that L. B. Swan has decided not to sell his farm and will still remain with us.

W. W. Dunham had a narrow escape from being killed or severely injured one day last week. He was hauling bark to this place and when upon the top of Trap Corner Hill his binding gave away, precipitating him as well as a large portion of the bark down upon the horses, which became frightened and ran down the hill at full speed. After a sharp run the horses were finally stopped, when Mr. Dunham was found hanging with one hand on the pole of the wagon and the other hold of the tug. In this way he had taken his perilous ride, but strange as it may seem not a bone was broken and otherwise than being pretty well bruised he was unhurt. He reloaded his bark, which was by this time pretty well scattered and proceeded on his way.

An ugly cancer was removed from the eye and nose of Mr. Thomas Cushman last Wednesday.

H. G. Brown & Son are busy in getting ready to start up their steam mill as soon as there is snow enough to haul in their lumber.

Horace Starbird is moving into S. B. Locke's house.

Mrs. Feyson, a lady from New York, who has been stopping with her mother, Mrs. Jordan, went to Portland a few weeks ago to be operated upon for the removal of a tumor, was brought home dead last Thursday, living but a few days after the operation.

The many friends of Rev. Ransom Dunham will be pleased to learn that he is recovering.

Waterford.

The "Home School," Miss H. E Douglass, principal, closed a very successful term Nov. 24, and on the following morning the stage coach took away most of the young ladies composing the school. One from Aroostook Co., spends her vacation here. The next term opens Dec. 5. Here a young lady can get 38 weeks of an excellent school, board and all that pertains to a refined and pleasant home, church privileges and most courtious, kindly christian counsel and guidance from the estimable lady principal—all for $125. per year. Such a school deserves patronage.

Bryant's Pond.

The Universalist Ladies Social Circle will have an oyster supper in the Town Hall on Thursday, Dec. 7th.

Rev. L. H. Tabor preached in the Universalist church last Sabbath to a large and very attentive audience, subject the Christian Sabbath and how it should be observed. It was a very able and excellent discourse, we think it quite time that the people were beginning to awaken upon the subject especially in this place. His subject next Sunday will be the Second Coming of Christ.

Andover.

The temperance lecture the 15th, delivered by Rev. C. S. Cummings, was highly appreciated by a large attendance.

Miss Etta Akers has gone to Lawrence Mass. to spend the winter.

Mrs. H. A. Mills is also visiting friends in Lawrence, Boston and Webster.

Miss Sadie Akers has arrived from N. H. where she has been teaching.

Rev. C. S. Cummings is absent on a visit, and will doubtless bring back a bride.

The M. E. sewing circle met at Mrs. M. E. Pratt's the 16th. Proceeds $6.00.

Stoneham.

Last Thursday night our quiet little village was thrown into a state of excitement which arose to fever heat before it subsided, by an elopement taking place in our very midst. The facts of the case briefly related are these: A certain young man has been payinghis addresses to a young lady in this vicinity for about a year, and everything appeared to be lovely, but appearances are sometimes deceiving. Paterfamilias arose in his might and said that the young man must cease his attentions to his daughter or feel the full power of his wrath. The upshot of the matter was that a team drove slowly by the parent's house last Thursday night and a secret signal was given, and the girl stepped into the next room for something, and her mother thinking she was gone a little too long went after her, when lo! the bird had flown. She looked in her room and found her clothes missing. They then began to suspect what was up. The father immediately harnessed his fleetest horse and gave chase, but was thrown off the track by meeting the eloping team and seeing but one person in it. The bride was snugly tucked away under the wagon seat. The eloping party drove to a friend's house where they donned their wedding apparel and skipped over into N. H. and were married, and came home the next day triumphant. The bridegroom is 21 years old and the happy bride is 14 and very small for her years.

A Moody of this town slaughtered a pig last week 8 months old that weighed 415 lbs. Next.

A little son of John Littlefield was badly scalded the other day by pulling a quart of hot water off the table on to him. At last accounts he was doing well.

Obituary.

The late Benson Hawkins of this village died on the 25th inst., aged sixty-two years and eleven months. He was a good citizen, an excellent neighbor, a man of the most unswerving integrity, and possessed a rare discernment of it in others. In politics as in business he believed in obedience to law and adherence to principle, and when on his death bed insisted on being carried to the poles at the late election to cast his last vote against the fusionists.

The cause of his death was somewhat peculiar and remarkable. Forty-seven years ago, while attending the winter school, a boy older and much larger than he, in mere sport not intending any harm, in the school room, at the noon recess, seized him by the collar and slung him around in a circle. His right knee struck the corner of one the seats with such force as to bruise the tendon of the knee-pan and the outer surface of the bone just above the knee. Severe inflamation of the tendon, muscles, and bone supervened, which confined him to the house for nine months, with intense pain, and resulted in a stiff leg, and a bone sore just above the knee-joint on the inside. This continued for the rest of his life, and was the direct cause of his death. The sore from time to time healed upon the surface, and then after much pain would break out anew and discharge pus and particles of bone. A year ago the injury culminated in acute and intense pain that for weeks deprived him of sleep except when under the influence of powerful anodynes. Trephining the bone gave temporary relief last summer; but this fall the pains returned with increased severity; new abscesses formed; his strong constitution, which for nearly half a century had resisted the consequences of this injury finally gave way.

The autopsy at his late residence on the 25th inst., by Dr. Evans and other physicians disclosed the following:

Lower-third of femur greatly enlarged and partially necrosed. Patella strongly anchylosed to femur by bony formation. Abscess extending from near the articulation with tibra for five inches up the shaft of the femur, having a large opening between the condyles ¾ of an inch in diameter communicating with the under surface of the patella by a small opening, also with lower surface of-femur by three ragged orifices, all communicating, and filled with degenerated necrosed bone. The lower end of femur was found diseased for seven inches from the articulation. At nine inches from the articulation the bone seemed apparently healthy.

Sweden.

Mr. Abram Gray, a man between 70 and 80 years of age was found dead in his bed last Saturday morning. He was stopping at his son's in this town for a few days, having no permanent home of his own at present. The cause of his death is not certainly known, but there is a report that Dr. French examined the body and found a clotted blood on the brain. The prevailing opinion here is that he had a fit while asleep and never moved, as there was no appearance of the least struggle or movement, he lying as in quiet sleep, his arms folded over his chest. He had been as well as usual until two or three days before his death, when he spoke of his back feeling strangely, but kept about as usual.

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STATE OF MAINE.—Oxford ss. Court of Insolvency.

Fourth Wednesday of Nov. A. D. 1882.

In the matter of Orin Edson, Insolvent Debtor—It is hereby ordered, that notice be given to all persons interested in the settlement of the account of Jonathan Blake, Assignee of the above-named Insolvent Debtor, by causing a copy of this order to be published two weeks, successively, in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, a newspaper printed in Norway in said County, that they may appear at a Court of Insolvency to be held at the Probate Court Room on the third Wednesday of December next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon, and object if they see cause.

R. A. FRYE, Judge
of Insolvency Court, Oxford County.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate, held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of November, A. D. 1882.

SEBASTIAN S. SMITH, Guardian of Thomas and JOD Dean, persons of unsound mind of Oxford, in said County, having presented his account of guardianship of said wards for allowance.

ORDERED, That said Guardian give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Court of Probate to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of December next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed. R. A. FRYE, Judge.
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JOSEPH F. HERRICK, named Executor in a certain Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Francina J. Herrick, late of Norway, in said County, deceased, having presented the same for Probate;

ORDERED, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of December next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and shew cause if any they have, why the said Instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed as the last Will and Testament of said deceased.

R. A. FRYE, Judge.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of November, A. D. 1882.

CHARLES E. HOLT, named Executor in a certain Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Granville L. Reed, late of Norway, in said County, deceased, having presented the same for Probate;

ORDERED, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of December next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and shew cause if any they have, why the said Instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed as the last Will and Testament of said deceased.

R. A. FRYE, Judge.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD ss:—At a Court of Probate, held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of November, A. D. 1882.

On the petition of JOHN W. PREBBLE, Guardian of Gertrude I. Prebble, of Oxford, in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey one individual half of the Prebble homestead, consisting of the buildings and about ten acres of land, situated in said Oxford, to Woodbury L. Stanton at an advantageous offer of two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

ORDERED, That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing an abstract of this petition, with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, a newspaper printed at Norway, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of December next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and shew cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted. R. A. FRYE, Judge.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, ss:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford on the third Tuesday of November, A.D. 1882.

GEORGE S. AMES, Administrator on the estate of Moss Ames, late of Norway, in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the Estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That the said Administrator give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of December next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and shew cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed. R. A. FRYE, Judge.
A true copy—Attest. H. C. DAVIS, Register.

Notice of Assignee of his Appointment.

At Paris, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, the fourth Wednesday of November, A. D. 1882.

The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of the estate of Ephraim Wight of Gilead, in the County of Oxford, Insolvent Debtor, who has been declared an Insolvent upon his petition which was filed on the eighteenth day of November A. D. 1882, by the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford. ABRAM B. GODWIN, Assignee.

To Let.
The rooms now occupied by Mrs. Twombly, next door to Whitcomb & Locke. Possession given about January 1st, 1883. Apply to
EDWIN V. HOWE.

Hobbs' Variety Store
Will occupy this Corner for 26 weeks, to Advertise as many
SPECIAL BARGAINS
—IN—
Crockery, Glass, Tinware, and Lamp Goods!
Hanging Lamps for the Holidays! LOOK!

14 inch	Shade	Brass Library Lamp,	$5.50
"	"	"	3.45
"	"	Ebony and Gold Finish,	3.25
"	"	Extra Gilt, "	3.35
"	"	Dark Verde, "	3.38
12	"	French Bronze, "	2.50

Lamp Fixturers, of all kinds!

FURNITURE!
Large Stock to be sold, Cheap for Cash, to reduce stock for winter.
Chamber and Parlor Sets!
OF ALL KINDS.
Lounges, Easy Chairs, Mirrors, Spring Beds, Etc.
Call and Examine!
Goods delivered free on the Grand Trunk Railroad, within 40 miles of this village.
C. S. CUMMINGS, Norway, Me.

Splendid Flour!
Globe Brand!
LARGE STOCK,
—AT—
GEO. W. HOLMES' STORE,
AT THE FALLS.
ALSO,
Crockery, Glass, and Earthern
WARE.
A NICE LOT OF
LAMPS, SHADES, CHIMNEYS, Etc.
Full Line of
GROCERIES
Teas, Coffees, Spices, Shelf Goods,
Tobacco and Confectionery.
G. W. HOLMES,
STEEP FALLS, NORWAY, ME.

L. L. Howard, Jr.
WOULD like to say to those wishing CEMETERY WORK, that he has added the
MARBLE
to his GRANITE BUSINESS, and with the
Granite & Marble
united, and a number of years' experience, believes that he is safe in saying that he can give them as good work and at lower prices than any one in Oxford County. If you do not believe it, call, and he will tell you the reason why.
He employs no agent, but if parties wishing work will drop him a card, he will call and see them, and give them the benefit of agent's pay.
In short, he wishes to say that he will make every effort to give those who employ him their money's worth.
POLISHED GRANITE
a specialty.
URNS! or anything in the Cemetery line, furnished.
L. L. HOWARD, JR.
Norway, Me., July 7, 1882.
N. B.—No business from sunset Friday, to sunset Saturday.

John F. Fitz's Store,
Main Street,
Norway, Me.
The largest assortment of
Canned Goods,
Meats and Fruit.
Confectionery, Fruits, Nuts, & Fancy Groceries, Jellies & Preserves.
KENNADY'S CRACKERS a specialty.
DEALER IN
Fresh Fish, Oysters,
SALT NAPES, FINS, MACKEREL, AND TONGUES.
A large stock of
Tobacco and Cigars.
☞All the leading brands.

Diamond Dyes!
AND
DYE STUFFS!
OF ALL KINDS, AT
Crockett's Drug & Book Store.

A Call for Money!
To whom it may concern:
Please bear in mind that it takes money to run my business; therefore, I would ask all persons who have been indebted to me for more than 30 days, to call and settle the same at once,
And Oblige F. H. NOYES

Cyrus S. Tucker
Has for sale at the *lowest living prices,*
BUFFALO and WOLF ROBES!
Woolen Lap Robes, Horse Blankets
of every kind. Trunks, Valises, Satchels, etc., etc.
Sale and Custom Made
HARNESSES!
☞All kinds of WHIPS on hand. All goods warranted as represented.
Shop and Store, Main St.,
Norway, Me.

Photograph Sittings
ARE NOW MADE AT
Burnham's Rooms,
Cottage Street, NORWAY, Me.,
In from 2 to 5 seconds. Nervous people and Children can now be Photographed with much less trouble.
If you wish a FINE COPY in a Family Group, please give me an early call, and I will do my best to satisfy you.
☞My Rooms are open day and evening to make engagements.
A nice lot of FRAMES on hand to select from. Please call and see a large collection of specimens, from Card to Life size. ☞Call in the morning for Sittings.
J. U. P. BURNHAM,
Norway, Me.

Save your Dollars
BY BUYING YOUR
CLOTHING
Hats, Caps & Gents' Furnishings
—AT—
ELLIOTT'S
Clothing Store,
Norway, Maine.
To get more reliable - CLOTHING!
Or more stylish - - CLOTHING!
Or better fitting - - CLOTHING!
Or a better assortment to chose from;
or more real value for your money,
than is offered by
F. Q. ELLIOTT.
Our Stock is the LARGEST;
Our Prices *shall be* the *LOWEST!*
Come and See.

Special Notice!
T. G. GOODWIN,
Respectfully informs the public that he keeps on hand the needed assortment of
Burial Caskets,
which includes VELVET, CLOTH, and CRAPE covered.
—ALSO—
UNDERTAKER'S SUPPLIES!
Old Stand Main Street, near Academy.
Norway, Me.

Room Papers
AND
Window Shades,
For the
Fall Trde, at
Crockett's Drug & Book Store,
Norway, Me.

STILL it COMES!
Flour Lower!!
Two more Car Loads
—OF—
ROLLER FLOUR
WASHBURN SUPERLATIVE!
Best in the Market.
C. N. TUBB'S, Norway.
P. S.—OLIVE BUTTER, for sale.

WE SHALL OFFER SOME
Extra Bargains in
Millinery and Fancy Goods!
HATS,
BONNETS,
FEATHERS,
VELVETS AND TRIMMINGS!
of all kinds, at very low prices.
☞Give me a call.
M. E. CROCKETT,
Opposite Post Office, Norway, Me.

CROCKETT'S
New Drug Store!!
I am pleased to announce that I am back again in the
New Hathaway Block,
And that I have a larger and better stock than ever before, of
DRUGS!
Patent Medicines, Books, Stationery,
Room Papers,
WINDOW SHADES & FIXTURES,
Bird Cages, Croquet Sets, Hammocks, Cigars, Tobacco, Confectionery, Toilet Articles, Sponges, Chamois Skin,
Fishing Tackle!
and hundreds of articles too numerous to mention. In fact everything usually kept in a
FIRST CLASS DRUG STORE!
Physicians Prescriptions a specialty.
S. L. CROCKETT,
Registered Apothecary,
June 24, 1882. Norway, Me.

To Whom it May Concern.

This may certify that for a valuable consideration I have relinquished to my minor son, Frank S. Sargent, the remainder of his minority, that he may trade and act for himself, that I shall claim none of his earnings nor pay any debts of his contracting.

FRANKLIN SARGENT.

Oxford, Nov. 11, 1882.

OXFOR CO. ADVERTISER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1882.

BUSINESS SPECIALS.

[Under this head notices will be inserted for cents per line for each insertion.]

Wanted one copy of this paper of Sept. 1. Also six copies of Nov. 10 and six copies of Nov. 17th at this office. Send to this office and be rewarded.

We want at this office as soon as the snow comes a cord of large, dry, hard wood.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Photography—J. K. Chase, Oxford.
Skates—Mason Bros.
To Let—Tenement.
Insolvency Matter—C. W. Horne.
" " Orin Edson.
Appt. Assignee est.—E. Wight Insolvent.
New York Tribune.
Noyes' Drug Store.
Hay for Sale—J. F. Gibson.
Hard and soft Soap—D. Pike.
Legal Notices—est. G. L. Reed.
" " " Francina J. Herrick.
" " " Moses Ames.
Guardian's act.—est. Thos. and Job Dean.
Petition to sell Real Estate.

Norway and Vicinity.

Mason Bros. move into their new store the first of next week.

What say you about the Union Lecture Course? Will you take a ticket?

Mr. A. B. Chase starts next week on a visit to relatives and friends at Long Island City.

H. J. Hamlin, of East Waterford, took 29 cattle to Brighton, Mass. last week and over 20 this week.

An interesting temperance meeting is expected next Sabbath afternoon, at the lower church.

John B. Hazen is having his new house plastered by Isaac Abbott, one of the best masons in this section.

Mr. Snell's lost boy was found at West Poland, whither he had gone without properly notifying his parents.

Wm. M. Brooks, esq., has closed his school at Royalton, Vt. He will shortly take charge of a school in Casco.

It is said that Brown Street has been rechristened Rainbow Street—for the varied hues of paint on the buildings.

Seth Pike and family move into the village for the winter. They are to occupy Mrs. Crockett's house on Deering Street.

The dancing community will be sorry to learn that Mr. L. B. Weeks has given up teaching on account of ill health.

A Thanksgiving Sunday School concert at the vestry of the Cong. church next Sabbath evening at 7 o'clock. All are invited.

Mr. Seth Pike recently slaughtered a pig that was fed and attended by his wife, that weighed dressed 305 pounds. The pig was 7 months and 10 days old.

The dancing school at Elm House hall will commence next week Wednesday eve. Prof. Geo. T. Wilson has been engaged and will teach the new steps and dances.

Fishermen do you know where to get live bait. We doubt if you do. Dennis Pike has it for sale. All kinds of live bait and fishing tackle to let at reasonable rates.

We notice the governor has honored three of the ADVERTISER correspondents with appointments. Wm. Emery of Oxford, Notary Public; Victor A. Greenleaf, So. Paris and S. W. Child, Milton, Justices of the Peace and Quorum.

The friends of Edgar T. Record, a brother of Wm. Record, of this village, will be pleased to learn that he was uninjured in the recent powder mill explosion at Winsor, P. Q. He was at dinner at the time of the blow up.

The veteran Free Mason, Robert Morris of Ky., lectured at Masonic Hall on Thursday evening, to a large and appreciative gathering of members of the fraternity from our own and neighboring Lodges.

The first ball given by the Norway Club was held Tuesday evening. A good party was in attendance. The Norway orchestra furnished music and played their best. All who attended speak in high terms of the Club's first annual.

Dennis Pike accepts our suggest and advertises the Norway Soap Works. This is enterprise and we have no doubt it will pay him. Remember he specially invites you to try his soap. Save your ashes and grease for him.

For several years past each board of County Commissioners have had more or less to do with the proposed road around Perry hill. The hearing before that honorable board last Thursday, week ago, at the Lake resulted in the commissioners partially laying out the road.

A good attendance at the Temperance meeting last Sunday afternoon. The President presided and C. F. Lord acted as chaplain. Remarks were made by John Devine, James Grant, E. H. Brown, A. B. Chase, T. T. Merry and others. The best of feeling prevailed.

There is no need for us to call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Noyes Drug Store, it will be seen and read, and while we consider it a work of advertising art, it is not half so artistic as the numerous goods which they have in stock. Everything that is enumerated in this advertisement may be found at the store, and more too.

E. W. Bartlett wishes to inform the public that he has just received some twelve or fourteen hundred of the latest styles in visiting cards, and is now ready to write your name upon a dozen for only 25 cents. And he is ready to do any little jobs in writing which you may have, cheap for cash. Give him a call. Orders for cards taken at Pierce's Picture Frame Store, next to Elm House.

The evening school proposed last week is meeting with favor. There has been several who have expressed their willingness to attend and "stick to it." It seems to us there ought to be a big class. Do you want to join the free evening school? If so leave your name at this office. If there are enough to make the class interesting the school will shortly be organized. Two sessions per week under the charge of Prof. Collins of the High School.

The Bangor Democratic paper with a long name, on the first of January is to change its form. It will appear as a quarto. Several new departments will be opened, each having a special editor. Other improvements will be adopted. We would suggest that the name be shortened by omitting about half of it. *The Bangor Weekly Commercial and Democrat* is too much cognomen for anything, even for a "blanket sheet" to sail under. When it changes to the proposed "more convenient shape" we hope it will reef up its name a little. It is an excellent democratic paper and exceeds all rivals in the same school in the State. $1.00 per year buys it.

Oscar Bennett got a fox Thursday.

Another addition is being made to the tannery.

T. S. Bridgham, esq., of Buckfield was in town Wednesday.

We would call attention to the *Tribune* adv. in another column. Read it.

J. F. Allen has just returned from Boston with a large lot of boots and shoes.

The Ladies' Social Circle will meet at Concert Hall next Wed. afternoon and evening.

A son of Henry Bearce of East Hebron was accidently shot in the leg while guning Thursday.

Eddie, little son of Chas. B. Cummings fell down stairs Thursday and was considerably injured.

Mr. Merriam, who is working at Mrs. G. L. Reed's is laid up with abscess in the throat.

The Ladies Circle will meet with Mrs. Robie next Wednesday afternoon and evening. All are cordially invited.

S. J. Frost says that he wants the man who borrowed his iron bar to bring said bar home at once.

"Tobacco" will be the subject of the pastor's next Sunday evening Talk at the Hall of the Universaliat Church.

Of the 51 scholars in the Grammer school 25 have not been absent during the Fall term. This speaks well for the teacher and pupils.

We are sorry to learn of the sickness in Mr. Seitz's family at North Conway. It is reported that Rev. Mr. Seitz, Don and his sister are down with typhoid fever.

Remember the Semi-Annual convention of the Reform Clubs at Portland, Dec. 6 and 7. Reduced fair on railroads. In this section apply to the Secretary, E. H. Brown, esq. for railroad orders.

We are sorry to learn that Thos. Weston, brother of W. H. Weston of this village, was probably fatally injured Wednesday night. He was a teamster in Boston, and was kicked by one of the horses while talking care of them in the stable.

The Chatauqua Literary and Scientific circle of Norway organized Nov. 23d, with fourteen members. It proposes to encourage individual study in lines and by text books indicated by the superintendent of instruction, J. H. Vincent, D. D., so as to give to them the college student's general out-look upon the world and life. The course of study covers a period of four years. An average of forty minutes reading each week day will enable the student to complete in nine months the required books for the year. Persons who would like to join but wish to know more about the course can obtain information by calling on any of the members of the circle. We would gladly welcome a large number from this place to our circle. It is open to all both old and young of whatever denomination. No new members taken after Jan. 1st until Oct. of 1883.

We are pleased to note the thrift and enterprise of the Lewiston *Journal*. The publishers of that paper don't propose to become fossil and trade on the good reputation their paper has enjoyed in years past. They keep square up with the times and in real, progressive journalism, of the republican faith are two or three steps ahead of anything in the State and perhaps only one step behind any similar institution in New England. We are aware this is saying a good deal, but in our judgment their paper warrants it. It is pre-eminently the great republican paper of Maine and it wields a greater political influence in the State than all other journals of the same school combined. As a *news*paper it is without a peer. It is strong and bright editorially—not long but to the point—strictly partizan yet candid and withal fair; in home news, county locals, letters of interest, notes of travel, agriculture, etc., it abounds and makes the best and most readable family paper according to our notion that comes to our office.

Norway Lake.

Last Saturday and Sunday were the roughest days of November. A fierce north west wind with the thermometer ranging from 22 to 32 deg.

Last Friday the County Commissioners "staked out" the new road from near Norway Lake on the Harrison road, starting in through J. Smith's wood lot, going south westerly and crossing J. Smith's meadow and across D. A. Gorham's farm, and topping the old Waterford road west of Perry Hill. The distance is ¾ of one mile. It will be a great convenience to Frost Hill and So. Waterford people.

The "stickers" were pasted on the Old Farmers Almanacs.

Geo. B. Dunham dressed two prime beeves last week. We claim to know something about it for he trusted us us with a large, fat, handsome quarter, and the sweetest you ever ate. George is a good fellow.

W. S. Partridge had the misfortune to hurt his leg quite badly in the woods last week. He gets about with a cane.

Mrs. W. F. Work has arrived home from Vanceboro, where she has been looking after her property there.

Our school commences next Monday Dec. 4th. Eugene Smith of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been engaged for the term.

The boys have been skating on the bog for a week. A calm will freeze the Lake.

Oxford.

The concerts given by Prof. J. W. Maynard, assisted by Prof. J. A. Hill and F. Taylor at Oxford village last Wednesday and Thursday evenings were very much enjoyed by the audience. The house was full both evenings, and by the remarks of those present we think they will be welcome here if they visit this locality again.

J. H. Dennen of Welchville recently slaughtered a hog 18½ months old which weighed 432 lbs. Also Seth Ames of the same place killed a pig 7 months old weighing 290 lbs. Next.

The village has been somewhat disturbed of late by a crowd of men and boys numbering from fifty to seventy-five, armed with fish horns, fire arms and tin cans,

Which every now and then they beat,
besieging the house of our newly wedded

With sticks and stones in furious heat,
clamoring for peanuts and candy. But he won't come out. The uproar was very shocking to the nervous ones.

Fast to escape the hated strain
With ears compressed some fled amain,
While others paused
All hopeless of relief,
And cursed the stars that had not made them deaf.

Better treat, Frank, and stop the pow-wow.

Clark's mill has been shut down for repairs, making dull times in California district. The sound of the grinding was low and the loafers went about the streets. But the broken wheel is mended and Morris is himself once more.

Miss Nellie Sturdivant, a weaver in the woolen mill, had her arm crushed by her sleeve being caught in the machinery. Happily no bones were broken. She hopes to return to her loom in a short time.

Mrs. Lena Holmes for the past year has been teaching music in this and adjoining towns. We understand her business is steadily increasing, and should judge by the progress of her pupils and their enthusiasm she is a very fine teacher.

D. P. Wood is at his old stand No. 1 Poplar Block. He has hired a first-class boot maker, and is ready to do all kinds of custom work in a neat and workmanlike manner at reasonable rates.

Joseph Greenbanks, formerly of this town, died very suddenly in Canada last week. His remains were brought here Saturday.

Oliver Nelson, one of the oldest and most respectable citizens of Waterford, died last week after a short illness.

Bolster's Mills.

Mrs. Sally Woodbury, of South Paris, has been visiting her relatives in this vicinity during the last two weeks.

Mr. Fred Haskell, son of Cyrus Haskell, who has been a clerk in a store in Boston during the last two years is at home on a vacation to spend Thanksgiving with his friends here.

Reuben H. Cobb has been quite sick for ten days past, but we think he is improving slowly at present.

Rev. Joseph Wight's wife has been confined to her bed with paralysis for six months. She can help herself but very little and is gradually failing.

Locke's Mills.

E. L. Tibbetts has returned from California and has settled here for the present.

Jesse P. Daniel and wife have gone to Florida for the winter.

Nathan M. Small and family left for Baltimore, Md. where he intends to reside. His son Walter has been there for about a year and through him Nathan bought a milk route at that place. We predict for him success, as Nat. does not believe in mixing water with anything especially milk. Dana B. Grant accompanied them with the intention of settling there, if the climate agreed with him, his health being very poor.

North Waterford.

The school in this village commenced Nov. 20th, under the instruction of Miss Lutie Luques.

Mr. Smith received from the Steward of the Maine Insane Asylum a full blooded White Chester Boar. He is a splendid animal, and can't be beat.

C. G. Knight is full of business at his saw mill, and is sending lumber to Bridgton, Harrison, Lovell, Norway and other places.

F. E. Hobson, a workman in Elliott & Bartlett's spool factory is still very low with fever.

Capt. Kilburn, one of the oldest men in town is in failing health. He is nearly ninety years old, and loved by all who know him.

J. Arthur Green and wife are visiting their friends here. He is now in the employ of Ivison, Blakeman & Co., and has his headquarters in Boston.

South Waterford.

Mr. Marcellus Whitcomb lies in a very critical state, and but little hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Our veteran shoemaker, Mr. Chas. A. Ford, will make a visit to Portland for a couple of weeks. Mr. Ford although over 70 years of age occupies his bench every day regular as clock work. He has been a resident of this village over 50 years. He has held several town offices, sheriff, etc., and represented the town in State legislatures.

E. W. Ayer and wife are just home from a seven days' tramp, having traveled in fourteen towns and three counties. All owing we suppose to the "boss horse."

Our hopes to just evade the law regarding Thanksgiving are entirely vanished, for we cannot find a turkey but is so poor that it has to lean against the fence to gobble.

BIRTHS.

At Casco, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gay, Nov. 20th, a son.

At South Paris, Nov. 23, to Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Rounds, an eight pound son.

MARRIED

At Bethel, by Rev. E. W. Simons, assisted by Rev. D. F. Pease, George R. Buswell of Norway and Miss Flora E. Eastman of Bethel.

DIED

At Canticooke, P. Q., Nov. 22, Joseph Greenbanks, of Oxford.

At Windham, Nov. 24, George Chute, aged 77 years.

At Norway, Nov. 25, Benson Hawkins, aged 62 years.

At Bryant's Pond, Nov. 25, a little son of E. F. Cole, aged 10 months.

1882. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS! 1883.

Everybody in the County of Oxford, are invited to examine the LARGEST AND MOST EXTENSIVE, but selected and varied assortment of HOLIDAY GOODS ever shown in this vicinity.

The Stock for the Holiday season of 1882-3, is by all odds the largest and best ever exhibited in the County.

Call and see for yourselves!

At the Noyes' Drug Store, may be found the largest stock of Holiday Good to be seen any where in Oxford County, which includes nearly everything in the line of *Holiday Goods*, consisting in part of Albums, both Autograph and Photograph, Scrap and Juvenile books, Work Boxes and Writing Desks, Dictionary Stands, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, and the largest assortment of BOX STATIONERY to be found anywhere, including the famous *Fifteen Cent Stationery;* Plush Dressing Cases, Toilet Sets and Cases, a large line of choice Perfumes, and Cut Glass Perfume Bottles, Shaving Sets for those who need, Smoking Sets, and an unusually fine line of Meerschaum Pipes, Dolls of every style and price, Wax, China, Rubber and Indestructible, to suit any child; dressed Dolls for those whose mothers have no time to spare to dress them! Books to suit every tastes and pocket; choice books and choice bindings. Black Walnut Stands, Tables, Music Stands, Brackets, and some very handsome Willow Work Baskets. Special bargains in Accordions an Music Boxes. Bargains in Hand Mirrors, Fancy Hair Brushes, Brush and Comb Cases, Plush Brush and Comb Wall Pockets; Ink Stands and Racks, in new and attractive styles, including the new novelties of Olive Wood Inkstands and Writing Desks. Cards in almost endless profusion, *suitable for CHRISTMAS or NEW YEAR!* in all the new and novel designs, including those famous Fringed Cards, and those four famous Prize Cards, issued by L. Prang & Co. Celluloid goods that are as handsome and stylish as Ivory. Bird Cages in every shape and form, and in fact everything that delights the eye and gladens the heart. TOYS! toys of every imaginable description, for the children. Vases of every style, price or idea to suit the older ones; and in fact the store is full.

☞No charge for looking around; look at the new Pampas Grass, a new novelty and a curiosity. Observe the extensive assortment of Cuttlery! Pocket Knives, for all! Sissors and Shears, in every variety and price. Portemonnaies to suit every pocket and hand. DIARIES, in every possible style for 1883. The goods show for themselves. *Call and see them. You will be well treated, and don't forget the place, the*

THE NOYES Drug Store, NORWAY, Maine.

NOYES' DRUG STORE, Norway, Me.

10 Cases More of **New Goods!** —AT— **M. M. Phinney's.**

Including a new line of **Silks, Velvets, Plushes, Black & Col'd DRESS GOODS,** SHAWKS, DOLMANS, CLOAKS, CLOAKINGS, FLANNELS, WOOLENS, HOUSEKEEPING GOODS, *FANCY GOODS,* And the Largest and Cheapest Stock of **Under Flannels!** For Ladies, Gents and Children, ever offered in **Oxford County.**

☞Remember we are selling the best 36 inch BROWN SHEETING for 7½c; and the best 40 inch for 8½c.

Parties living at a distance will find it for their interest to examine our stock and get our prices before going to the city.

We BUY and SELL for Cash, and have ONE PRICE for all.

Very Respectfully,

M. M. PHINNEY, Norway, Me.

GET YOUR MILK DAILY OF **Benjamin Tucker's MILK CART!** Good Milk and honest measure. ☞If in want of milk, speak to the driver.

THE **New Hub!** IS THE **Best Stove Made!** SEE IT AT **J. O. CROOKER'S!**

This Stove combines all the improvements—economical in fuel, and fitted for Wood or Coal.

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Notice of Assignee of his Appointment.

At Paris, in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, the twenty-second day of November, A. D. 1882.

The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of C. M. Daley and James M. Robbins as a copartnership, and individually of Paris, in the county of Oxford, Insolvent Debtors, who have been declared an insolvent upon their petition, by the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford.

THOS. S. BRIDGHAM, Assignee.

STATE OF MAINE.
OXFORD, ss.
COURT OF INSOLVENCY.

On this twenty-second day of November, A. D. 1882. It is hereby Ordered that the said Assignee publish the above notice once a week for two successive weeks, in the Oxford County Advertiser, a newspaper published in Norway, in said county of Oxford.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this twenty-second day of November, A. D. 1882. R. A. FRYE, *Judge of the Court of Insolvency for Oxford County.*

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MY ABSENT BOY.

I cannot make him dead. His fair and noble head
Is ever bounding round my study chair;
Yet when my eyes, now dimmed with tears, I turn to him,
The vision vanishes—he is not there!

I walk my parlor floor, and thro' the open door.
I hear a footfall on the chamber stair!
I'm stepping toward the hall, to give my boy a call,
And then bethink me that—he is not there.

I know his face is hid, under the coffin lid;
Closed are his eyes—cold is his forehead fair;
My hand that marble felt; o'er it in prayer I knelt;
Yet my heart whispers that—he is not there

I cannot make him dead. When passing by the bed
So long watched over with parental care,
My spirit and my eyes seek him inquiringly,
Before the thought comes that—he is not there.

When, at the cool, gray break of day from sleep I wake,
With my first breathing of the morning air
My soul goes up with joy to Him who gave my boy,
Then comes the sad thought that—he is not there.

When at the day's calm close, before we seek repose,
Bending before His throne, we offer up our prayer,
What'er we may be saying, we are in spirit praying
For our boy's spirit, though—he is not there.

Not there? Where then is he? The form I used to see
Was but the raiment that he used to wear—
The grave that now doth press, upon that cast-off dress,
Is but his wardrobe locked—he is not there.

He lives! in all the past; he lives! nor to the last
Of seeing him again will we despair.
In dreams I see him now, and on his angel brow
I see it written: "Thou shalt see me there."

Yes, we all live to God. Father, thy chastening rod,
So help us, thine afflicted ones to bear,
That in the spirit-land, meeting at Thy right hand,
'Twill be our heaven to find that—he is there

MISS EULALIE'S ELM-TREE.

It was a magnificent work of nature, Miss Eulalie's elm-tree; so tall and graceful, overhanging the street with its green banner, lending a charming shade to her little parlor, which gave it the air of a dim, cool recess in the woods on a summer's day.

Miss Eulalie loved it, and, except for her gay young ward, it would seem as if she had little else to love. Her grandfather had planted it; it was a sort of heirloom. She had passed her youth beneath its boughs; her name was carved on its stem. She never looked at the tree without thinking of the one who had carved it there; of the still, moonlight nights they had spent together in its shadow. It gave her both pain and pleasure—pleasure, because it reminded her that he had loved her once; pain, that he loved her no longer. She could not guess why he had never returned to her; what had estranged him was still as great a mystery to her as in those early days of her bereavement, when sorrow and suspense had been her daily companions, rising up and sitting down with her.

Perhaps some fairer woman had enslaved him, perhaps he had never really loved her at all, and she experienced a pang of mortified pride when she reflected that she had possibly been vain enough to make the mistake. Year by year she watched the tender green of the elm thicken into dark masses of leaves; year by year she watched them fading and falling, like her own hopes and illusions; it was a poem to her; and yet, after all, it was only Miss Eulalie's elm-tree by permission. The home of her ancestors had fallen into other hands; she had only returned to it by a happy chance, not as its owner. Mrs. Vaughn, the purchaser, had a daughter to be educated, and Miss Eulalie had taken the situation. When Mrs. Vaughn died, she devised that Miss Eulalie should make a home with Isabel, be mother, sister, and teacher, all in one, to that wayward young person, till she should marry—in short, stand in the gap. Miss Eulalie had been used to standing in gaps all her life; this was nothing new. And it was a home—her old home where she had dreamed dreams. When she walked at twilight beneath the old elm its leaves seemed to whisper: "Just here he kissed you first," and "Here you said good-by." No wonder she loved the old tree!

"Dangerous thing," said Captain Valentine, tapping its trunk with his cane as he walked by; "hollow-hearted as a jilt, Miss Eulalie."

"You are mistaken," she rejoined; "it is as sound as a nut."

"But it must come down," he added, as if his word were law.

"*Never*, while I live, Captain Valentine."

"You forget that I am a man of property; that I pay more taxes than anyone in Littleford; that I can buy every tree in the place, and cut it down, if I choose."

"Then it is only from pure good nature that you beg my consent to cut down this exquisite tree? Do you know I have loved it from a child; my grandfather planted it—"

"I know that Miss Isabel owns the whole estate, and I know that this bone of contention, this tree, obstructs the view from my windows, Miss Eulalie, which is more to the point—that its boughs leap into the air so high and spread their branches so wide, that it blots out the view of the sea, 'the open sea;'" and he passed on up the long green lawn to his new home, with its marble steps and broad balconies, which made its humble neighbor seem forlorn and shabby. Miss Eulalie looked at the imposing structure, at the parterres of brilliant flowers, at the fountain tossing its jets into the sunlight, the velvet terraces and lawn, and smiled. Why had Captain Valentine chosen to build his palace so near her home? Why had he built at all, at his time of life, with no family to inherit, and no wife to do its honors? How lonely he must be, she thought, in the spacious mansion, with nobody but the servants to speak with! Why had he never married? In the humility of her heart Miss Eulalie never dreamed that it was because she would not marry him. That had happened so many years ago, before he and Anson Andrews had sailed together in the Water Witch. How angry he had been then! how jealous of Anson! How bitterly he had sworn that the day should come when she would give her heart's blood to recall the words—when she should regret her folly in dust and ashes! But of course he had forgotten all that—the ravings of an untamed nature. He had been only second mate then, with little or nothing ahead in the world; to-day he was Captain Valentine, with that world at his feet; the richest man in town, perhaps.

"You might have been mistress up there, Miss Eulalie," he had reminded her one day, pausing at her gateway after the house was done. "But you took your choice—you took your choice," and—laughing—they tell us beggars shouldn't be choosers."

From the very first Captain Valentine had raised a hue and cry about Miss Eulalie's elm-tree; it almost seemed as if he had selected the site to tease her, and if he wished to strip her of everything she loved, since she declined to love himself. "I have bought the most expensive spot in town," he said, "and spared no money in order that I might open my eyes every morning on my beloved sea, and you refuse to sacrifice a tree for an old friend and neighbor, a tree which will drop of its own will presently."

"Captain Valentine," she said, "you have my word, once for all: the elm shall stand so long as I am mistress here. There need be no more words about it."

"No more words, but deeds," he answered, and a wicked, angry light flamed in his eyes, such as she had seen there once before. The man could hold fire like iron.

But then the subject dropped, as she believed. He did not mention the tree again. "He has given it up," she thought; "he makes a great noise when he can't have his way, and then forgets about it." But Miss Eulalie did not do the Captain justice. One twilight, as she returned from a sick neighbor's, it gave her a curious shock to see her pretty ward, Isabel Vaughn, talking, over the hedge which separated the grounds, to Captain Valentine, who wore a rose in his button-hole.

"See, dear Miss Eulalie," she cried—"see what a basket of roses Captain Valentine has brought us! And might I go up to The Towers to-morrow with Mrs. Van Buff to see Captain Valentine's Corot?"

Miss Eulalie could hardly refuse—why should she?—and Isabel returned in ecstacies with the mediæval furniture, the Persian draperies, the wonderful carved ivories, the carpets like woodland moss, the Oriental rugs, and skins of ant-eaters and tawny lions.

"It is just heavenly," she said. "It makes home look squalid and mean. It makes me low-spirited to come back. Why did you let me go, Miss Eulalie? And the elm-tree *does* interfere with his view more or less; but what of that? He has everything else. He can gallop to the sea in half an hour. Such horses! I've always longed for a saddle-horse. Captain Valentine has promised to lend me a safe one."

And day after day he kept his word, and brought his horses round for Miss Isabel to try, or left flowers and fruits that fairly inundated the small house; or perhaps he gathered the young people together, and gave a fete under his trees, with dancing on the broad veranda hung with festoons of Chinese lanterns; and sometimes Miss Eulalie was obliged to chaperon Isabel, and sit, a faded wall-flower, in the house of her old suitor.

"I wonder why Captain Valentine never married?" said Isabel, after one of these fetes. "I wonder how he seems to be so everlasting rich; to have no worry about money; to—"

"Isabel," warned Miss Eulalie, "you care too much for money. There are better things."

"Mention one, please."

"You will think I am a sentimental old woman, but love is better a thousand-fold."

"I don't know. Love is very nice, but if you must go without everything else, without pretty gowns and jewels and splendor, give me money."

"You are too young to choose. Pretty gowns, jewels, and splendor lose their charm when you are used to them, but love outlasts everything."

But Miss Eulalie's words were wasted. "I love money," Isabel confessed; "I adore clothes. I don't know about love."

In spite of all that had happened, Miss Eulalie was quite unprepared when Isabel said to her: "I've something to tell you. I dare say you know it already, though. I am going to marry Captain Valentine, and wear cashmeres and sapphires, and go abroad, and never have to count my change again. Congratulate me."

"You are joking," cried Miss Eulalie.

"Then it's the best joke in the world! It's no joke to the other girls, let me tell you."

"You are going to marry Captain Valentine? Do you know that he is old enough—"

"To know better."

"Do you love him, Isabel?"

"I like him well enough. I love his money."

"Isabel, don't do it. You will sow the wind and reap the whirlwind. I can't allow it; the *idea* of your marrying him! It is too preposterous, too mercenary. Why, he was once a lover of my own," pursued Miss Eulalie, forgetting herself.

"Why didn't you marry him, and save me the trouble?" asked Isabel. "But perhaps he was poor then?"

"It was not that."

"What then? You loved somebody else?"

"I don't mind telling you now, Isabel. I had another lover—Anson Andrews. I've never gotten over it. There have been weeks and months when I've tried with all my soul to forget him—to unlove him. He and Captain Valentine sailed together in the Water Witch, and when Captain Valentine returned he brought me all the trinkets and letters I had sent Anson Andrews, but never a word more."

"You dear old faithful thing! you shall dress in Satin de Lyon and thread lace; we shall live in the lap of luxury; and I'll send word to Anson Andrews if he is at farthest Thule. How oddly things turn out! Fancy me marrying your cast-off lover!"

"Isabel, I beg you not to—"

"Not marry Captain Valentine just because I'm not in love? Perhaps I never shall be in love. You would have me give up so much for a mere sentiment. You mustn't expect everybody to have as intense feelings as yourself. I couldn't remember a man fifteen years if he were the Great Mogul himself!"

Captain Valentine and Isabel were married in the little parlor of the old house, shaded by the old elm-tree, which made pretty dancing shadows on the wall. It was a most informal affair; and when it was over, and the clergyman had pocketed his fee, and the bride was trying on her traveling hat, Miss Eulalie stepped into the garden to draw a long breath. What were the working-men doing there at that hour?

"Go into the house, Miss Eulalie," said Captain Valentine. "I am going to celebrate my wedding day. Isabel has made me a wedding gift of the old elm-tree, and I'm cutting it down to burn on the hearth at The Towers, while we look out at the 'dreary winter sea.' Miss Eulalie, when you thwart a Valentine, you do it at your peril. Do you think I married Isabel for love? Revenge is sweeter than love. When you refused to marry me, I swore I would make you repent in dust and ashes."

Miss Eulalie turned silently toward the house, but paused to look back from the doorway. There was a crash, and when a strange blur had cleared away from before her eyes, Captain Valentine lay dead beneath a great arm of the tree, which had snapped as it fell.

"I feel so awfully wicked," said Isabel, some months later, awed and ashamed at finding herself in possession of the coveted wealth without the burdensome conditions. "I've been looking over his papers with Mr. Billings, the executor, and we ferreted out this letter. It's from Anson Andrews. I thought it explained something; at any rate you might like to see it. It's dated Australia, a year ago."

"DEAR VAL" (Miss Eulalie read),—"Here I am, leagues from home, but possessed with an unquenchable longing to hear from the old place, and a homesickness which no money can relieve. Sometimes when I'm smoking in my bungalow, alone, I fancy I am home again under the old elm-tree with Eulalie, still young, with hope in my soul, and presently I awake from the day-dream and berate myself soundly for allowing the old wound to throb and ache. Believe me, old boy, in spite of the fifteen years behind us, my bald head, and her double-dealing, I cannot think of her and all I've lost without a weight at my heart. I was a happy wight when we shipped in the Water Witch. I'm free to confess I've never seen a happy day since you confided to me that you were going to marry Eulalie. I remember how black you looked when I told you she belonged to me, and how we then and there swore we would neither of us marry such a heartless jilt! How have you weathered it, messmate? And what has happened to her? Has she befooled any more true lovers? After all, I believe that

> "'My heart would hear her and beat
> Had it lain for a century dead.'

"Write me about her, and if the old elm tree, where I kissed her first, is still standing. 'Our love is dead, but the tree is alive.' No, love is not dead; I cannot slay it; it smoulders and torments me."

"Miss Eulalie," said Isabel, when Eulalie had folded the letter with trembling fingers, "there has been a great wrong done. Mr. Billings and I mean to right it. We mean to send word to Anson Andrews; we are going to tell him what an angel you are. We have talked it over. And about this money—I could not make up my mind to touch a cent of it if I were starving. I shall found a hospital with it. Mr. Billings is to help me. We have talked it all over; I don't care for splendor any longer; I have found out, Miss Eulalie, that love is best."—*Harper's Weekly.*

Advance Pay to Sailors.

It is claimed by ship-masters that the existing custom of paying sailors about to start on long voyages two months' advance wages has a vicious and demoralizing effect on the sailors themselves. The careless and often dissolute habits of the seamen when on shore, it is alleged make them the prey of a class of men who, in the guise of landlords of sailors' boarding-houses, not only absorb all of Jack's cash on hand, but for little or no consideration secure a mortgage on the two months' advance pay which ship-masters invariably give their crews. This subject was brought to the attention of Congress last February by Representative Candler, of Massachusetts, who introduced a bill "for the relief and improvement of seamen in the merchant service, by changing the system of advance wages." This bill provided that "any bill authorizing or promising, or purporting to authorize or promise, the future payment of money on account of any seaman's wages, conditioned on his going to sea from any port in the United States, and made before those wages are earned, shall be void," also that "no money paid in satisfaction or in respect of any such document shall be deducted from a seaman's wages." The bill was referred to the House Committee on Commerce, which submitted a favorable report about the last of August. In the report was the following paragraph: "The evil engendered and encouraged by the system of advance wages is almost universally admitted, and it not only affects the welfare and morals of the sailors, but has been considered by the merchants a great injury to the commercial marine and commerce of the country, A reform will save a wastefull expenditure of money and secure healthier and more efficient crews." The report was referred to the House calendar and ordered to be printed, but it was not reached during the session. Mr. Candler hopes to have it acted upon at the next session of Congress. The evils of the advance wages system became so obnoxious twenty-five years ago that in the spring of 1857 more than one hundred prominent ship-owners and agents of N. Y. City signed and published an agreement not to pay advance wages to seamen in any case. It has been suggested that a similar movement be started among ship-masters and agents of the present day.

The Detained Juror.

We remember an amusing little circumstance occurring during a protracted trial for felony in one of the midland counties a few years ago. A boy, entering the court, and making his way to the jury-box, handed to the officer in attendance, a note addressed to one of the jury, the officer handing it, as in duty bound, to "his lordship on the bench." The judge—first asking permission—opened and read the communication. After a solemn pause, he remarked: "I think, sir, I had better not hand you this at present. You could not now comply with its suggestion, and it might distract your attention from the very serious case we are trying." The juryman bowed, and the judge carefully placed the letter between the pages of his notebook. When the case concluded, about eight or nine o'clock at night, the judge said, "There is your note, sir. I am afraid it will give you little pleasure now." The juror opened, and read it, smiled, bowed, and hastily left the box, leaving the note behind, which, we trust, we were guilty of no great indiscretion in reading. It was in a female hand:

DEAREST JIM:—Mr. and Mrs. Brown have just come, and have brought such a lovely pair of ducks, you can't think! And the onions and things for the stuffing, and we'll have the pudding we had left from Christmas. I'll put them down to be ready at one, sharp, because the B.'s must leave early—by five o'clock train. Do leave that nasty court. Say your poorly, or anything. Mind, at one! We shan't wait! Yours, KITTY.

Poor juryman!

NOT HEALTHY.—Recent writers upon public health claim that the wooden blocks used in many cities for pavements have a decided unhealthy influence. The blocks being placed with their fibrous ends upward, are saturated with rain, in which is dissolved the filth of the streets. The pavement thus remains damp for a long time, and presents a large and unwholesome evaporating surface.

UNCLE SAM'S HIGHEST COURT.

A Session of the Supreme Court of the United States.

In the December *Century* E. V. Smalley writes of "The Supreme Court of the United States" in an admirably instructive and entertaining manner, and the portraits and character-sketches of the court in session finely supplement the text. The formality of opening the court is described as follows:

When twelve o'clock comes, there are perhaps a dozen lawyers sitting at the tables within the bar, and a score of spectators waiting on the crimson plush sofas for the court to open. A rustle of silk is heard from the open door leading to the retiring-rooms. At the other side of the chamber sits a young man at a desk, who has been listening for a few moments for that sound. He rises, and announces in a clear voice: "The Honorable the Chief-Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States," whereupon lawyers and spectators all get up on their feet. The rustling sound approaches, and there enters a procession of nine dignified old men, clad in black silk gowns that reach almost to their feet, wide sleeves and ample skirts. At the head walks the Chief-Justice, and the others follow in the order of their length of service in the court. They stand a moment in front of their chairs, and all bow at once to the bar; the lawyers return the salute; then the judges sit down, the Associates being careful, however, not to occupy their chairs before the Chief-Justice is settled in his. Now the young man, who is the crier, exclaims, in a monotonous fashion: "Oyez! oyez! oyez! All persons having business before the honorable Supreme Court of the United States are admonished to draw near and give their attention, for the court is now sitting. God save the United States and this honorable court!"

Business begins promptly and is dispatched rapidly. First, motions are heard, then the docket is taken up. The Chief-Justice calls the case in order in a quiet tone, and a lawyer is on the floor making an argument, while you are still expecting that there will be some further formality attending the opening of so august a tribunal.

The proceedings are impressive only from their simplicity. Usually the arguments of counsel are delivered in low, conversational tones. Often the judges interrupt to ask questions. In patent cases, models of machinery are frequently used to illustrate an argument, and are handed up to the judges for examination, or a blackboard is used for diagrams.

Were it not for the gray hair and black gowns of the judges, you might almost imagine at times that the gentleman at the blackboard, with crayon in hand, was a college professor lecturing to a class. Or you may happen in when a lawyer in charge of a case is leaning over the long desk in front of the judges, holding a conversation with one of them on some intricate point in a mechanical device, and you would hardly think that the court was in session and that the conversation was the plea in a patent case involving perhaps a million of dollars.

The bench has long since been only a tradition in all our courts. Each justice of the Supreme Court has a chair to suit his own notions of what constitutes a comfortable seat. Some of the chairs have high backs to rest the head, some have low backs; some have horse-hair cushions, some velvet, some no cushions at all. Chief-Justice Waite sits in the middle of the row.

WOULD DO SOMETHING.—Ten years ago, according to the Albany *Express*, a man in that city who was worth $100,000, was Alderman-at-Large, and was offered the nomination for Mayor, which he declined. Soon afterward his fortunes began to change, and in the course of a few years he had lost all his property. He did not lose his self-respect and independence, however, but sought and found a chance to earn an honest living. He is now employed in the stables of a horse railroad company. "I had to do something," he said to a reporter the other day, "and while this is not a congenial occupation, it is the best that offered, and I do not propose to become a beggar."

WHAT is characteristic of a watch? Modesty, for it keeps its hands before its face and runs down its own works.

Chicago's First Citizen.

The Chicago *Tribune*, in closing an elaborate article on Hon. Carter H. Harrison, Mayor of that city, gives the following as Mr. Harrison's opinion of St. Jacobs Oil: "When I first found myself suffering from the rheumatism, my leading thought naturally was to call a physician, but my neighbors all advised me to try St. Jacobs Oil, the Great German Remedy. I procured some of it immediately, and found it excellent for that ailment."

MARKET NOTES.

NEW YORK MARKET.

The Wholesale New York market quotations show:

BEANS—Prime $3.35@$3.40; fair to good, $2.45@$2.50 per bushel.

BUTTER—New York sold at 36@37c. for choice in pails, and 30@33c. common to good. Western sold at 36@37c. and the common Western at 18@21c.

CHEESE—Factory fancy, 12¾c.@13c; do. fair to good, 9@10c.

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FLOUR—Superfine, $3.20@$3.75; Western, $4.25@$7.40; extra New York, $3.75@$6.25.

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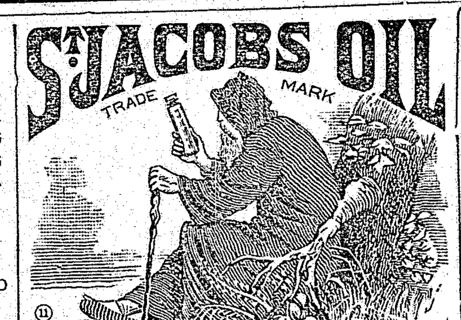
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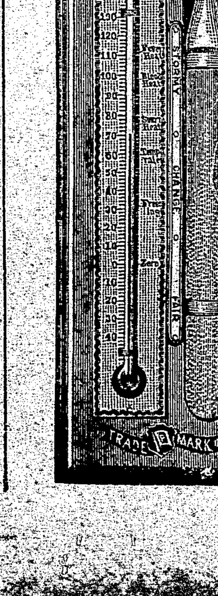
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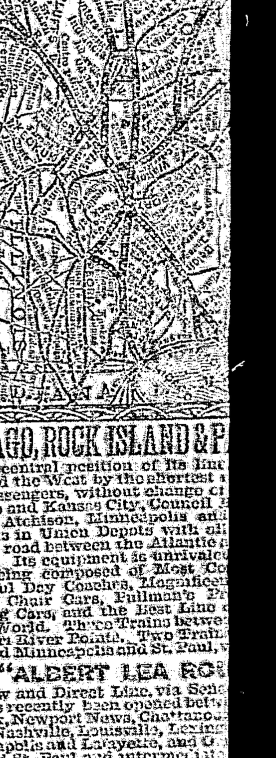
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